## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

MOHAMED JOHN AKHTAR and LA BUCA RESTAURANT, INC. d/b/a SWING 46 JAZZ AND SUPPER CLUB,

**Plaintiffs** 

-against-

ERIC M. EISENBERG and JOHN AND JANE DOES ONE THROUGH THIRTY,

**Defendants** 

MEMO ENDORSED

HON. VALERIE FIGUEREDO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Dated: 3/21/2025

The Clerk of Court is directed to permanently seal ECF No. 125. Plaintiff is directed to file a redacted version of the document, redacting Defendant's date of birth on page 51 by **April 1**, **2025**. The Clerk of Court is respectfully directed to terminate the gavel at ECF No. 155.

23-CV-6585 (JGLC) (VF)

## ERIC M. EISENBERG'S LETTER MOTION TO SEAL IMPROPERLY FILED DOCUMENT CONTAINING INFORMATION REQUIRING REDACTION (D.I. 125)

Dear Magistrate Judge Figueredo,

I write to request, along with such other relief that the Court may deem just and proper, that the court seal Docket Item 125, which was filed by Plaintiffs on February 18, 2025. Plaintiffs, at page 51 of 63 of the document, failed to redact birth date information that they were required by the Federal Rules to redact from publicly accessible documents. Fed.R.Civ.P. 5.2(a) ("Unless the court orders otherwise, in an electronic or paper filing with the court that contains an individual's . . . birth date . . .a party or nonparty making the filing may include only: . . . (2) the year of the individual's birth.")

It is not clear to me why Plaintiffs' attorney felt the need to file extremely similar (albeit not in all cases identical) documents three times (at D.I. 125, 126 and 129). I apologize to the Court for not realizing sooner that D.I. 125 suffered from the same issue as D.I. 126 and 129.

In email correspondence with Plaintiffs' attorney, Plaintiffs' attorney had promised to review his file and arrange for redaction in both this Court and in the Second Circuit appeal, to the extent he had filed documents containing the birth date. However, despite repeated requests from the undersigned, Plaintiffs' counsel has still not provided any date by which he would finish his review. Today, I learned that Plaintiffs' counsel does not maintain a workable case file where he appropriately tracks his filed documents. *See* D.I. 151 and 153. Accordingly, it became necessary for me to actively review his filings myself, a process which has and will take me significant time and expense (in terms of PACER fees) to do thoroughly.

In addition, it has come to my attention that certain of Plaintiffs' improperly unredacted filings (at least D.I. 125, D.I. 126) have been mirrored at www.courtlistener.com (specifically, at

https://www.courtlistener.com/docket/67646458/akhtar-v-aggarwala/?order\_by=desc ). Accordingly, I ask this Court to require Plaintiffs to, by a date certain, arrange with the Court Listener website to have these docket entries, which contain the unlawfully-included birth date information, removed.

Your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated, in light of the ongoing risk to my privacy occasioned by Plaintiffs' repeated rules violation.

Dated (and executed in): March 20, 2025 (Miami, Florida) Respectfully submitted,

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cc: all parties on ECF